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#### REMARKS

Following submission of the Response dated March 15, 2004, Applicants noticed some text was omitted from added claim 117 and a withdrawn legend had not been provided for claim 82. As such, the Supplemental Amendment is being submitted to add the omitted text and to add the omitted withdrawn legend.

#### OTHER MATTERS

Applicants note that they filed Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement/ Search Report Information Disclosure Statement dated April 15, 2004 in the USPTO, for the subject application. Accordingly, Applicants respectfully request that the Examiner reflect their consideration of this IDS in the next official communication from the USPTO. Applicants also respectfully request the Examiner to call the undersigned collect and the below number in the event that this IDS has not been received by the Examiner and thus needs to be again submitted by Applicants for the Examiner's consideration.

It is respectfully submitted that the subject application is in a condition for allowance. Early and favorable action is requested.

Applicants believe that additional fees are not required for consideration of the within Supplemental Amendment. However, if for any reason a fee is required, a fee paid is inadequate or




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credit is owed for any excess fee paid, you are hereby authorized and requested to charge Deposit  
Account No. 04-1105.

Respectfully submitted,  
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